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TRANSPORT BOTTLENECKS IN METROPOLITAN CITIES
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether metropolitan cities and large urban centres are facing major transport bottlenecks leading to road congestion Pollution and a number of related problems;

(b) whether the Government is working on various alternative to address these issues; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT(SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b)&(c): Urban Transport is a State subject.However, realizing the seriousness of rapidly growing problem of urban transportation, Government has approved National Urban Transport Policy (NUTP) in April, 2006.The Policy provides guidelines to the States/cities to design their urban transport strategies.

The Government is providing Central financial assistance for urban transport projects through various schemes like Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM), scheme of Ministry of Finance for financial support to Public Private Partnership in Infrastructure and budgetary support, etc.

Further,to address the various issues of urban transportation, advisory letters have been issued to all States/UTs for prioritizing investment in public transportation, non-motorised mode of transport, running of city bus service on Public Private Partnership (PPP) model, integration of land use and transport planning, developing parking policy and using intelligent transport system for integration across various modes of transport and traffic management etc.